

St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Catholic Parish

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The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
Anticipation of the Conversion of St. Paul (25 January)
21 January 2024

High Mass

Processional (Asperges)

Hymn 545, 1st Tune

Woodbird

Traditional German Melody



1. Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!
2. He comes with suc - cor speedy - y To those who suf - fer wrong,
3. He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth,
4. Kings shall bow down be - fore him, And gold and in - cense bring;
5. O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, He on his throne shall rest;



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun!
To help the poor and need - y, And bid the weak be strong;
And love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, Spring in his path to birth:
All na - tions shall a - dore him, His praise all peo - ple sing;
From age to age more glo - rious, All - bless - ing and all - blest:



He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free;
To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light,
Be - fore him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go;
To him shall prayer un - cease - ing And dai - ly vows a - scend;
The tide of time shall ne - ver His cov - e - nant re - move;



To take a - way trans - gres - sion, And rule in e - qui - ty.
Whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, Were pre - cious in his sight.
And right - eous - ness in foun - tains From hill to val - ley flow.
His king - dom still in - crea - sing, A king - dom with - out end.
His Name shall stand for e - ver, His change - less name of Love.

James Montgomery, 1821, based on Psalm 72

Introit

Collect for Purity

Summary of the Law

BCP 67

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Kyrie Eleison

Hymn 710
Healey Willan, 1928

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up - on us.

Christ, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Hymn 739
Old Scottish Chant

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor - ship thee,

we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry,

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Al - migh - ty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - - - ther,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mercy up-on us.

For thou on - ly art ho - ly; Thou on - ly art the Lord;

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Fa - ther.

A - men.

Collect for the Third Sunday after the Epiphany

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ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Conversion of St. Paul

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O GOD, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world; Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Unity of God's People

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O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

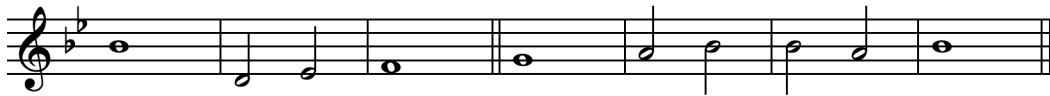
The Lesson

Isaiah 45:22-25

Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear. Surely, shall one say, in the Lord have I righteousness and strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed. In the Lord shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

Te Deum laudamus

Hymn 613A/BCP 10



WE praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to | be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father | ever**lasting**.
To thee all Angels cry aloud; the Heavens, and all the | Powers therein;
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim con|tinually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of | Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty | of thy **glory**.
The glorious company of the Apostles | **praise** thee.
The goodly fellowship of the | Prophets **praise** thee.
The noble army of Martyrs | **praise** thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world | doth acknowledge thee;
The Father, of an infinite Majesty; Thine adorable, true, and | only Son;
Also the Holy | Ghost, the Comforter.

THOU art the King of | Glory, • O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting | Son of • the **Father**.
When thou tookest upon thee to de|liver man,
thou didst humble thyself to be | born of • a **Virgin**.
When thou hadst overcome the | sharpness • of death,
thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to | all **believers**.
Thou sittest at the right | hand of God,
in the glory | of the **Father**.
We believe that thou shalt come to | be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed | with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered | with thy Saints,
in glory | ever**lasting**.

O LORD, save thy people, and bless thine | heritage.
Govern them, and lift them | up for **ever**.
Day by day we | magni•fy thee;
And we worship thy Name ever, | world with**out** end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with|**out** sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have | mercy • **upon** us.
O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us, as our | trust • is in • thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never | be **confounded**.

Epistle

Romans 12:16-21

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BRETHREN: Be not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

Gradual and Alleluia



Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

AT that time: And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: and both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. And there were set there six water-pots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. Jesus saith unto them, Fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.



Praise - be to thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Announcements

Sermon Hymn
Charlotte

Hymn 215
Arthur H. Biggs, 1941



1. Lord, who at Ca-na's wed-ding feast Didst as a guest ap-pear, Thou
2. The ho-liest vow that man can make, The gold-en thread in life, The
3. On those who at thine al-tar kneel, O Lord, thy bless-ing pour, That



dear-er far than earth-ly guest, Vouch-safe thy pres-ence here; For
bond that none may dare to break, That bind-eth man and wife; Which,
each may wake the o-ther's zeal To love thee more and more: O



ho-ly thou in-deed dost prove The mar-riage vow to be, Pro-
blest by thee, what-e'er be-tides, No e-vil shall de-stroy, Through
grant them here in peace to live, In pu-ri-ty and love, And,



claim-ing it a type of love Be-tween the Church and thee. A-men.
an-xious days each care di-vides, And dou-bles ev-'ry joy.
this world lea-ving, to re-cieve A crown of life a-bove.

Adelaide Thrupp, 1853, and Godfrey Thring, 1882

Sermon

The Rt. Reverend Anthony F. Rasch

Offertory Verse and Sentences

Offertory Hymn
Munich

Hymn 114
Meiningen Gesangbuch, 1693



1. We sing the glo - rious con - quest Be - fore Da - mas - cus gate,
2. O glo - ry most ex - cel - ling That smote a - cross his path!
3. O Wis - dom ord - 'ring all things In or - der strong and sweet,
4. Lord, teach thy Church the les - son, Still in her dark - est hour



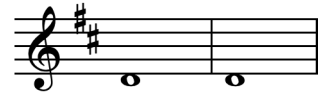
When Saul, the Chur - ch's spoil - er, Came breath - ing threats and hate;
O light that pierced and blind - ed The zea - lot in his wrath!
What no - bler spoil was e - ver Cast at the Vic - tor's feet?
Of weak - ness and of dan - ger, To trust thy hid - den power:



The rav - 'ning wolf rushed for - ward Full ear - ly to the prey;
O voice that spake with - in him The calm, re - prov - ing word!
What wi - ser mas - ter - build - er E'er wrought at thine em - ploy
Thy grace by ways mys - ter - ious The wrath of man can bind,



But lo! the Shep - herd met him, And bound him fast to - day.
O love that sought and held him The bond - man of his Lord!
Than he, till now so fu - rious Thy build - ing to de - stroy.
And in thy bold - est foe - man Thy cho - sen saint can find.



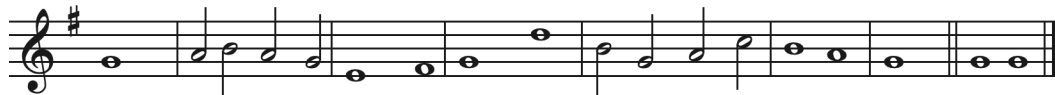
A - men.

John Ellerton, 1871

Doxology (Hymnal 139, 1st verse)



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;



Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Bidding Prayers

Orate, Fratres

Celebrant: Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name; both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church

General Confession

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

The Comfortable Words

Sursum Corda

The *Priest* Lord be with you. And *All* with thy spirit.

Priest Lift up your hearts

All We lift them up unto the Lord

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All It is meet and right so to do

Preface for Epiphany

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymn 797
Healey Willan, 1928

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of hosts,
 heav-en and earth are full _____ of thy glo - ry:
 Glo - - - ry be to thee, oh Lord most High.
 Bless - ed _____ is he that com - eth _____ in the
 name _____ of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the _____ high - est.

Prayer of Consecration

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Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 722
Traditional, very ancient

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, Hal-low-ed be thy Name. Thy king-dom come.
 Thy will be done, On earth as it _____ is _____ in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.
 And for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give those who tres-pass a- gainst us.
 And lead us not in - to temp-ta - tion, But de-liv-er us from e - vil.
 For thine is the king-dom, And the pow'r, and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev - er.
 A - men. _____

The Fracture

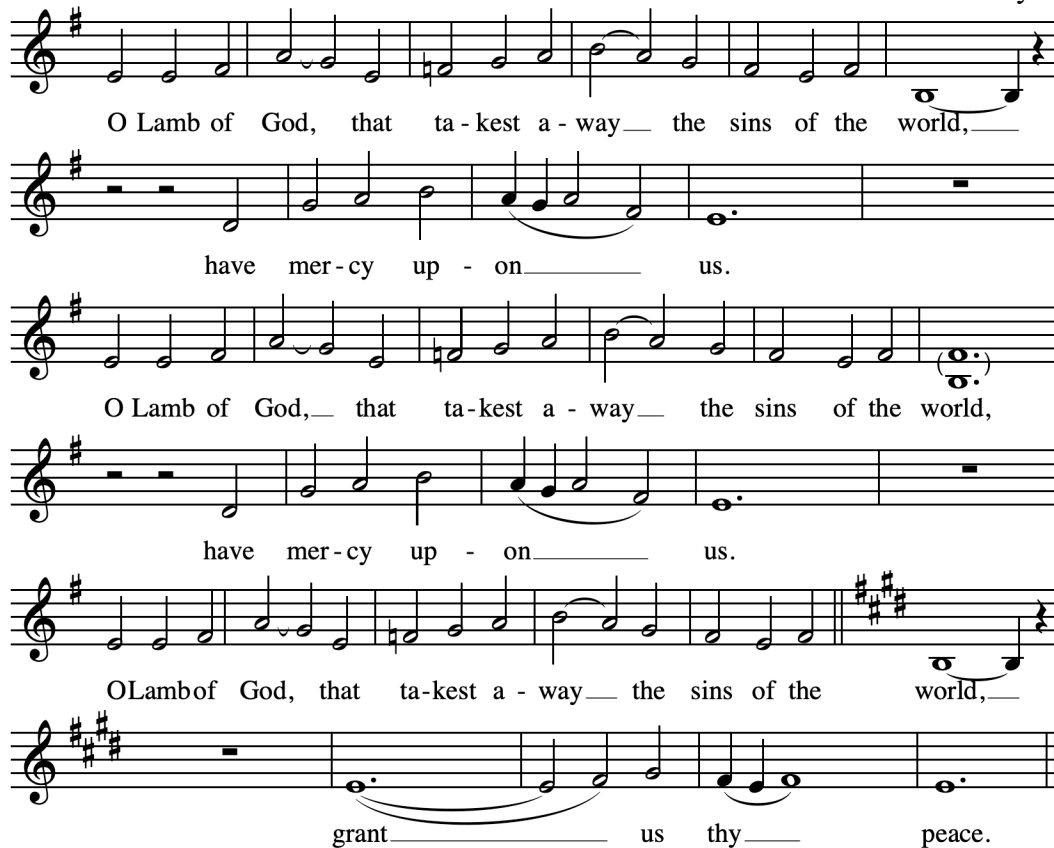
The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Agnus Dei

Hymn 712
Healey Willan, 1928



O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way__ the sins of the world,__
have mer-cy up - on_____ us.
O Lamb of God,__ that ta-kest a - way__ the sins of the world,
have mer-cy up - on_____ us.
O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way__ the sins of the world,__
grant_____ us thy_____ peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

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Communion Verse

Communion of the Faithful

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People: (3x) Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

For those attending in person, we have resumed the custom of kneeling or standing at the Altar Rail to Receive. Here are the various Ways of Receiving:

- 1. Receive the Host into your hands, or directly onto the tongue.
Receive directly from the Chalice, guiding it gently by the base.*
- 2. Receive by Intinction, receiving the Host into your hands and leaving it there; the Deacon will take it and dip it in the Chalice and place it onto your tongue.*
- 3. You may receive only the Host of itself, either in your hands or on your tongue. Our Lord is equally present in either Form.*

As a precaution and courtesy to others and for your own safety, we respectfully request that in the event you are currently suffering from a cold or other communicable illness, please refrain from receiving from the Chalice.

For those attending remotely: Please take a moment of silence to realize the presence of Jesus Christ in your soul and make your spiritual communion.

In union, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood have been offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.

Grant, O Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of Thy garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch Thy Body, so the soul of Thy servant may be healed by like faith in Thee, Whom I cannot now sacramentally receive; through Thy tender mercy, Who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever one God. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Hymn 130

All Saints

Darmstadt Gesangbuch, 1698



1. Who are these like stars ap - pear - ing, These, be - fore God's
 2. Who are these of daz - zing bright-ness, These in God's own
 3. These are they who have con - tend - ed For their Sa - viour's
 4. These are they whose hearts were ri - ven, Sore with woe and
 5. These, like priests, have watched and wait - ed, Off - 'ring up to



throne who stand? Each a gold - en crown is wear - ing;
 truth ar - rayed, Clad in robes of pur - est white - ness,
 ho - nor long, Wrest - ling on till life was end - ed,
 an - guish tried, Who in prayer full oft have stri - ven
 Christ their will, Soul and bo - dy con - se - cra - ted,



Who are all this glo - rious band? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Robes whose lus - ter ne'er shall fade, Ne'er be touched by
 Fol - low - ing not the sin - ful throng: These, who well the
 With the God they glo - ri - fied: Now, their pain - ful
 Day and night they serve him still. Now in God's most



hark, they sing, Prai - sing loud their heav'n - ly King.
 time's rude hand? Whence comes all this glo - rious band?
 fight sus - tained, Tri - umph by the Lamb have gained.
 con - flict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.
 ho - ly place, Blest they stand be - fore his face.

Theobald Heinrich Schenck, 1719; Tr. Frances E. Cox, 1841, alt.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Post-Communion Prayers

Dismissal

Episcopal Blessing

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord

People: From this time forth forever more.

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: Who hath made heaven and earth.

Bishop: The Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the ✠Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Retiring Processional:

Hymn 292, 2nd Tune

Innocents

Traditional Melody, pub. *The Parish Choir*, 1850



1. Songs of praise the an - gels sang, Heav'n with al - le - lu - ias rang,
2. Songs of praise a - woke the morn When the Prince of Peace was born;
3. Heav'n and earth must pass a - way; Songs of praise shall crown that day;
4. And shall man a - lone be dumb Till that glo - rious king - dom come?



When Je - ho - vah's work be - gun, When he spake and it was done.
Songs of praise a - rose when he Cap - tive led cap - ti - vi - ty.
God will make new heav'ns and earth; Songs of praise shall hail their birth.
No; the Church de - lights to raise Psalms and hymns and songs of praise.

James Montgomery, 1819

Announcements

Celebrant	The Right Reverend Anthony F. Rasch
Assisting	The Reverend Deacon John Yeager
Epistoler	Robert Jones
Lector	
Cantor	Ken Kubo, Candidate for Holy Orders
Acolyte	Tony Shehata
Acolyte in Training	Robert Yeager
Altar Guild	Gretchen Martin
Zoom Wrangler	Landon Melamed

Thank you for joining us for this service! Please continue to take care of yourselves and let us know if you need additional prayers or assistance.

The Weekday Mass will be celebrated at 10 am on Wednesday (Conversion of St. Paul).

Next Sunday we will celebrate our January Birthday Sunday honorees.

The Fourth Quarter (2022) Missionary Mite Box Offering will be received throughout the month of January.

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will be conducted Sunday, January 28th in the Parish Hall following Sunday Mass. The Sandwiches are Reserved for those who will be staying for the meeting and signed up for sandwiches in advance.

Business to be handled at the Meeting: Appointment of 2024 Senior Warden. The election of two new members to the Vestry (Proposed Nominees to date are Deacon Yeager and Gretchen Martin). Election of a 2024 Junior Warden. The Treasurer's Annual Report for 2023 will be presented and voted upon for approval. Presentation and Passing of a Proposed Budget for 2024. The election of three Delegates and three Alternates to the 2024 Diocesan Synod (the location is yet to be determined). Those Eligible to Vote or be Nominated to the Vestry must be 18 years of age or older, listed as a Member in the Parish Register, a Contributor of Record, and regular in attendance. PLEASE, if you plan to nominate someone from the floor, ask their permission in advance to be certain that they meet the Parish By-Law Requirements as listed above.